## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

What is claimed is:

- (Original) A system for creating web applications, the system comprising:
   a controller generator that is adapted to provide a web application with a controller
   that receives a request for data from a user and responds to the request by
   sending information to the user; and
- a configurator generator that is adapted to provide a configurator that loads

  configuration information for use by the controller from a configuration file

  and stores the configuration information for subsequent access.
- 2. (Original) The system set forth in claim 1, wherein the configuration file is a text properties configuration file.
- 3. (Original) The system set forth in claim 1, wherein the configurator is adapted to store the configuration information as a singleton object.
- 4. (Original) The system set forth in claim 1, wherein the configuration information comprises error handling information.
- 5. (Original) The system set forth in claim 1, wherein the configuration information comprises log processing information.
- 6. (Original) The system set forth in claim 1, wherein the configuration information comprises data that is specific to each of a plurality of portals.

- 7. (Original) The system set forth in claim 1, wherein the configurator is adapted to read the configuration information upon initialization of the controller.
  - 8. (Original) A method of creating web applications, the method comprising: creating, with a processor-based device, a controller that receives a request for data from a user and responds to the request by sending information to the user; and

providing a configurator that loads configuration information for use by the controller from a configuration file and stores the configuration information for subsequent access.

- 9. (Original) The method set forth in claim 8, comprising defining the configuration file to be a text properties configuration file.
- 10. (Original) The method set forth in claim 8, comprising adapting the configurator to store the configuration information as a singleton object.
- 11. (Original) The method set forth in claim 8, comprising defining the configuration information to comprise error handling information.
- 12. (Original) The method set forth in claim 8, comprising defining the configuration information to comprise log processing information.

- 13. (Original) The method set forth in claim 8, comprising defining the configuration information to comprise data that is specific to each of a plurality of portals.
- 14. (Original) The method set forth in claim 8, comprising adapting the configurator to read the configuration information upon initialization of the controller.
  - 15. (Original) A system for creating web applications, the system comprising: means for creating a controller that is adapted to receive a request for data from a user and respond to the request; and means for creating a configurator that loads configuration information for use by the controller from a configuration file and stores the configuration information
- 16. (Original) The system set forth in claim 15, wherein the configuration file is a text properties configuration file.
- 17. (Original) The system set forth in claim 15, wherein the configurator is adapted to store the configuration information as a singleton object.

for subsequent access.

- 18. (Original) The system set forth in claim 15, wherein the configuration information comprises error handling information.
- 19. (Original) The system set forth in claim 15, wherein the configuration information comprises log processing information.

- 20. (Original) The system set forth in claim 15, wherein the configuration information comprises data that is specific to each of a plurality of portals.
- 21. (Original) The system set forth in claim 15, wherein the configurator is adapted to read the configuration information upon initialization of the controller.
  - 22. (Original) A machine readable medium, comprising:
  - a controller generator stored on the machine readable medium, the controller generator being adapted to provide a web application with a controller that receives a request for data from a user and responds to the request by sending information to the user; and
  - a configurator generator stored on the machine readable medium, the configurator generator being adapted to provide a configurator that loads configuration information for use by the controller from a configuration file and stores the configuration information for subsequent access.
- 23. (Original) The machine readable medium set forth in claim 22, wherein the configurator generator is adapted to produce a configurator that stores the configuration information as a singleton object.
- 24. (Original) The machine readable medium set forth in claim 22, wherein the configurator generator is adapted to produce a configurator that reads the configuration information upon initialization of the controller.